

## TROUBLE FOR BANGS

Man Who Wanted to Build Panama Canal Surrenders Contract.

HE WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE

Was Losing Money Dredging a Channel in Portion of New York Harbor and Refuses to Complete the Work Under Any Circumstances.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 28.—On the recommendation of Lieutenant Colonel Marshall, corps of engineers in charge of government engineering works in the vicinity of New York city, General Mackenize, chief of engineers, has annulled the contract with Anson M. Bangs, as the successor of the firm of Hughes Brothers and Bangs for dredging a forty foot channel off Red Hook and Bay Ridge, New York harbor, because of delinquencies in the work. Under the terms of the contract 22,000,000 cubic yards of material was to be excavated from the channel at the rate of ten cents a yard. When the work was about half completed the contractors suspended operations and removed all their dredging apparatus, having realized that their rates were too low and they were losing money on the contract. Mr. Bangs was associated with Mr. Williams J. Oliver in his original bid for furnishing labor for the Panama canal but was compelled to withdraw from the firm because of his alleged delinquency in government work. Mr. Bangs will be held accountable for any extra expense which may be involved in the completion of the work.

## ONE OF SLAYERS OF BYWATERS ON STAND

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had transpired in the room as told by previous witnesses.

The Shooting Begins.

When Bywaters failed in his attempt to get down the steps, he ran back and dashed out of the window. Witness says he fired twice and ran down the steps to head him off. Phillip Strother ran to window and kept on firing. Witness said he saw Bywaters dimly outlined on the roof in a crouching position. He fired every shot in his pistol. He saw Phillip in the window. Phillip did not get out on the porch.

Witness thought Bywaters was trying to jump.

When Bywaters fell on the roof the shooting stopped.

The only word spoken was by Mrs. Gaines, who said: "Boys, he has gone."

Strother's Friends Hear Him.

W. J. Hatfield and a party of twenty friends of James Strother, from Welch, W. Va., are here. They came merely to show the esteem and confidence in which he is held there. They are quiet, dignified men, of substantial character.

The direct statement of witness consumed about one hour. The crowd was exceedingly quiet, catching every word.

Asked by Mr. Jeffries about the window, witness said the window was down during the marriage ceremony, and that it was raised when Bywaters went through. Bywaters had promised as one of the conditions of being allowed to marry Viola, that he would care for her.

"Realizing that he was trying to desert her in her condition," said Strother, "it was a physical impossibility to keep from killing him."

Witness, answering questions, told of his early struggles, his final success, and how, when his father's death gave away, he had furnished him with money, his father being involved. This home was in debt when his father died, and his mother had told him that he would have to take his place.

"Then mother died, and"—here the witness broke down, tears streaming from his eyes, and many of the spectators were seen in tears.

Resuming, Mr. Strother said that when his mother was on her death bed she called him and told him that his sisters were soon to be orphans and he must provide for them.

He had promised to do so. He had bought out the interest of several, and had made a contract, when he bought the place, that so long as the girls were single they should

have a home, free of cost, and he had paid all bills for the household. He wanted to keep the old home, which had belonged to his grandfather.

Witness then told of telephoning for physicians and for the sheriff, telling them to come at once, that he had shot and killed Bywaters.

Judge Grimsley called up and they had a brief conversation. He told Judge Grimsley that Bywaters was dead, and the phone was then hung up.

Witness said that Viola was the baby of the family and the object of his special care.

Captain Woods questioned Mr. Strother for the State. Witness told that he had a 32-calibre pistol, brought with him from Welch, W. Va.

Witness said the pistols were reloaded after the shooting, except that he could not find enough to completely fill his pistol. Asked a reason for reloading, witness said that the sheriff appeared a little uneasy and thought there might be some further trouble and they proposed to be ready for what came.

Asked if he had been drinking that afternoon, witness said he took a drink when he arrived in the morning, but nothing after that time. Phillip also was not drinking.

Asked what he would have done when he asked Bywaters what he intended to do if Bywaters had replied that he intended to go home, witness said he would have killed him there and then.

Mr. Keith asked what was the object of carrying the pistol, and witness frankly replied that he carried it for emergencies, and that if Bywaters had refused to marry Viola or had tried to desert her, it was his intention and determination to kill Bywaters. He had not thought Bywaters would try to escape, or that he would have to shoot.

Witness denied that he had ever threatened Bywaters, but added that Bywaters knew what was coming if he refused to carry out his promise or undertook to desert Viola.

"We were determined that Bywaters should not leave the house that night," said the witness, "and we were there to prevent his leaving."

"Had Bywaters not undertaken to leave," said the witness, "there would have been no trouble whatever."

"Bywaters did not make any reply when I asked him what he was going to do. I told him we believed that he would try to leave the house. Bywaters did not say a word."

Then followed a row among members of the family going up the steps and Bywaters trying to get down the steps, and then jumping through the window.

Witness said he had no chance to try to stop Bywaters as he ran to the window. Bywaters moved very rapidly, faster than witness could possibly move. He was out of the window before a shot was fired.

Shots in the Dark.

Witness said Bywaters was located on the roof more by sound than by sight, as he could only get a faint outline of what he thought was Bywaters, in a crouching position. Phillip was firing as witness ran down the steps.

Replying to Mr. Jeffries, witness said he took two small drinks about half an hour after the shooting.

The Afternoon Session.

Dr. W. J. Strother, an uncle of the Strother brothers, told of being summoned to attend Mrs. Bywaters, whom he found suffering great pain, the result of a criminal operation.

"Had she not been given medical attention at that moment," stated Dr. Strother, "she would have undoubtedly been dead within the next hour."

Dr. Strother said that he advised an immediate marriage.

Judge Harrison adjourned the trial at 4:15 p. m.

ADOLPHUS BUSCH VERY ILL.

St. Louis Millionaire Is Returning Home from Pasadena.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 28.—Adolphus Busch is in a serious condition according to the belief of friends. The whole family here left their Pasadena residence and are on their way here.

It is reported that Mr. Busch is returning to St. Louis to have an operation performed. Dr. Robert Ludeking, dean of Washington University Medical School here, is returning with the patient but refused to make any statement.

It is understood that Lieutenant Edward Scharrer, of Germany, and Mrs. Scharrer, who was Miss Wilhelmina Bush, have been cabled to come to St. Louis.

Resignation of Rev. J. R. Doan.

PETERSBURG, VA., Feb. 28.—The resignation of the Rev. J. R. Doan as pastor of West End Baptist church was accepted at a meeting of the congregation last night. A committee was appointed to call a successor to Mr. Doan, who has accepted a call to Henderson, N. C.

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SUFFOLK, VA., Feb. 28.—Fire which is believed to have been of incendiary origin destroyed Jason Brinkley's store at midnight and damaged W. P. Ferguson & Co's warehouse. The building occupied by Brinkley, was insured for \$1,600, while his stock of goods was insured for \$500.

RICH FARMER SHOTS  
AND KILLS FAMILY

Blamed Them Because He Was Being Prosecuted on Charge of Criminal Assault.

(By Associated Press.)  
BLOOMINGTON, ILL., Feb. 28.—Thomas Baldwin, a rich farmer and former merchant of Colfax, Ill., shot and killed today Charles Kennedy and wife and Mrs. M. E. Elmsman and daughter Cora. Baldwin was arrested. Baldwin, who is 68 years old and a widower, is under bond charged with criminal assault of Cora Elmsman, who was but 14 years of age. He had settled with the girl's father for a sum of money, but was subsequently arrested and blamed the Kennedy's and Mrs. Elmsman for the prosecution.

Lost a Ring; Killed Himself.  
LEXINGTON, KY., Feb. 28.—Because he lost the engagement ring of Forest Hall and Miss Kate Goddard, Barney Godwin committed suicide today, drinking carbolic acid. Godwin came here from Chattanooga, Tenn.

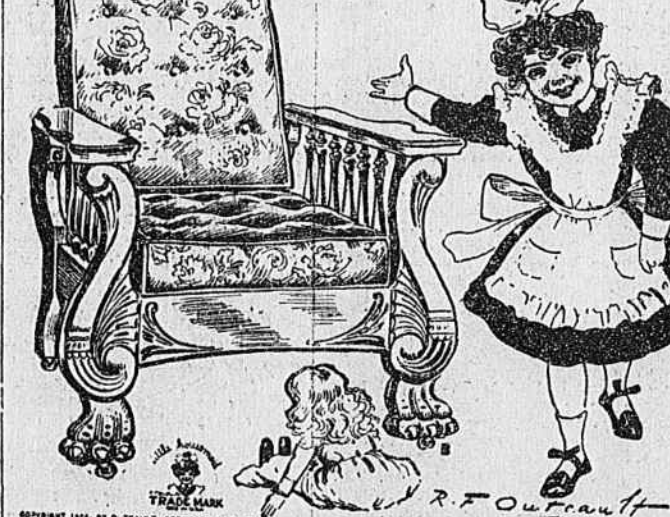
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M. H. Lash,  
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WANTED—TWO LADY CANVASSERS. Nice work and good pay. Apply A. B. Abbott & Bro. 2415 Huntington ave., between 9 and 10 a. m. 1t

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## FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—NOS. 9,487, 9,499, 9,505 Edison Records for March. Also for the new "Take-apart" Phonograph horn that can be put in your grip, those new curved spout oil cans, and "3 in 1" oil for all machines and the patent automatic brush for Victor Records. The Geo. D. Hampton Piano Co., 210 28th street. 1t

FOR SALE—GOOD PAYING BUSINESS, cheap; good reason for selling. Address J. B., care Daily Press. 2-28-4t

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FOR SALE—EIGHT ACRES OF good truck land, with six acres of fine oyster ground, dwelling and out houses; southern exposure; twenty miles of Hampton, or Newport News. Price \$1,000. Apply to 118 Armistead avenue, Hampton, Va. 2-7-1m.

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## SPECIAL NOTICE.

NOTICE—DR. R. R. CLARK HAS moved his office and infirmary from 310 Thirtieth street to Caffer's stable, office 'phone No. 1; residence 'phone No. 39. 2-19-1mo

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BERNARD W. CRUMP,  
Commissioner of Revenue.  
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